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HOUSE RESOLUTION 89
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A RESOLUTION To commend Mrs. Donna Gayle Akin Morgan for her exemplary service to the State of Tennessee as Legislative Intern Coordinator.

WHEREAS, Each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process and to the overall enhancement of this State; and

WHEREAS, One such exemplary individual is Mrs. Donna Morgan, who has distinguished herself as the patient and loving "Mother of the Interns," in her role as "Legislative Intern Coordinator"; and

WHEREAS, Born on May 18, 1952 as Donna Gayle Akin, the sister of Pam and Dane, the sublime Mrs. Morgan is a Donelson High School Class of 1970 alumna and attended Columbia State Community College and Middle Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, Knowing the value of hard work and little pay, Donna managed the operating suite at Vanderbilt Hospital after graduation from high school; she also served as a

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Distribution Manager for Video, Inc., a company that produced and distributed collegiate recruiting videos; and

WHEREAS, She has also expertly served as an Executive Aide for the House Finance, Ways, and Means Committee Vice Chairman, Representative Tommy Head, and Secretary, Representative Ronnie Cole, in which positions she managed Representatives Head's and Cole's schedules, tending to their every need, deftly handled never-ending Budget Sub Committee calendars, and pleasantly fended off numerous people coming through the revolving doors just outside their office suite; and

WHEREAS, In November, 2000, she accepted the position of Intern Program Coordinator for the General Assembly, an awesome task that not just anyone could have handled; Mrs. Morgan continues to surpass all expectations in fulfilling the many duties of this important position and adroitly handles all things with her Southern grace and charm; and

WHEREAS, She has stylishly discharged her duties with intelligence, vision, sound judgment, unfailing courage and unquestioned integrity; she is an exponent and exemplar of the noble personal values and social ideals of the citizens of Franklin and Williamson County and of all Tennesseans; and

WHEREAS, She works tirelessly in service of countless good works, not for applause or acclaim, but rather for the satisfaction of knowing that she has touched the lives of so many people, both young and old, intern and staff, the public and the politico, and knowing that in doing so she is helping to make our state a better place to live and work; and

WHEREAS, Donna Morgan is an active and vital part of her community; despite the many demands placed upon her, she still finds time to lend her time and considerable talents both as a volunteer and paid staff for the Williamson County Council on Drug and Alcohol Abuse, in which positions she coordinated the Council's "Just Say No" program; and

WHEREAS, An avid gardener and wonderful photographer who always shoots everyone's "best" side, Mrs. Morgan is also very devoted to her family; she is the loving mother of two sons, Brian Parker Hulsey and Kevin Conley Hulsey; and

WHEREAS, Donna is most appreciative of the love and support that she shares with her devoted husband and friend, John Morgan, the distinguished State Comptroller; this loving couple was joined in holy matrimony on June 8, 1985, and since that glorious day, they have faced the world as one, basking in the glow of their love for one another; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Morgan has touched the lives of many interns, but in this her inaugural year as the Intern Coordinator for the Tennessee General Assembly, she has sculpted a motley crew of young people into the future leaders of this state, guiding them and helping them to develop a strong foundation of working relationships, as they prepare to join Tennessee's work force after their college graduation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we honor and commend Mrs. Donna Gayle Akin Morgan for her many contributions to this State, and most of all, thank her for the magnificent coordinating abilities that she has exhibited in service of the 2001 Intern Class for the 102nd General Assembly.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we extend to her our very best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.